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It is my considered opinion that the proposed settlement IS in the public interest as well as in the interest of the market and all investors in the market and NOT just the Microsoft investors or Microsoft itself.

The settlement has been too long in coming and the conclusion has been delayed for one inane reason after another.

If "interest groups" would stop debating what "their interests" dictate we might be able to put this one behind us and get on with our struggles in this unusual economy where all software companies proceed to gain market share by virtue of their "products" and not try and stifle the progress of superior products in the marketplace.

We are where we are in the overall world economy because of our free market/free enterprise system. That system should not be thwarted for "special interest" reasons advanced by the so called special interest groups.

Let's get on with it and get it DONE, once and for all.

Thank you.

George C. Montgomery